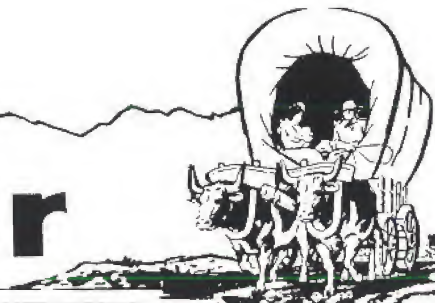


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The President's Message

By John A. Shaw

A Time For Gratitude

Our message to the Sons of Utah Pioneers this edition of *The Pioneer* must naturally and of necessity be one of praise and gratitude. In recent weeks our loyal and devoted members have come very close to a complete fulfillment of the ideals and traditions of our great society.

Already we have expressed our appreciation to all who so devotedly and enthusiastically contributed their time and their means for the construction of the beautiful Pioneer Memorial Monument at the gravesite of Brigham Young. Here is an everlasting memorial to a prophet of the Lord and the greatest colonizer of modern times. It is also a reminder of the noble purposes of SUP.

We have only recently enjoyed a thrilling, exciting, and inspiring encampment in Squaw Valley, California as guests of our fine Sierra Chapter. Surely those who attended this august gathering will never forget this delightful experience. For guided tours around the picturesque Lake Tahoe area, the outstanding entertainment, the well-planned seminar, meetings with the chapter leaders, dedication of the gorgeous Mormon Emigration Trail, the new officers elected — we shall long remember Squaw Valley and the SUP in 1974.

The men selected to the national board and the special officers, are exceedingly well qualified and devoted, assuring us strong leadership for years to come; Adolph Johnson, our new president-elect is typical. Long time worker for SUP, there isn't anything Adolph would not do for the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

The Sierra Chapter with its tremendous leadership was a superb host. It had some bad breaks in arrangements at the lodges caused by a late change in managership, and lack of communication between the contracting parties, but the "Sons From Sierra" displayed their remarkable abilities, resourcefulness and concern for each guest, and worked out the problem with skill and dispatch.

SUP is grateful to these wonderful people for a great encampment and to all of you for your many contributions toward making ours an ever greater society.



SHAW & GRIMSHAW: John A. Shaw, left, president of SUP receives message of welcome to delegates at the Squaw Valley encampment from Gov. Ronald Reagan, delivered by Rhodes Grimshaw, 83, oldest active air pilot, and an active Mormon. Mr. Grimshaw is a grandson of Thomas Rhoades, an 1846 entry into the northern California area.



Some members of the East Mill Creek Chapter, which usually attends these encampments en masse, are shown waiting in line at the Friday evening barbecue at Squaw Valley Inn. Recognized in the crowd are: Vera Caldwell, Lamar Gardner, Art Wiscomb, Woody Caldwell, Stewart Badley, Emmett Morris, Elmo and Mary Pack, Ellen Wheat, John and Louis Nielsen and Grace Rigby.

Sorry We're Late!

This is the first time we can recall *The Pioneer* came to you late. We did it on purpose. It was figured the news of the Squaw Valley Encampment, which event came smack on our deadline, was worth holding out a few days for stories and pictures.

Our next deadline is October 1, for the November-December issue.



Protect Indian Landmarks

The Federal Antiquities Act of 1906, which makes it a misdemeanor to destroy or remove any item from a site designated as a prehistoric landmark, evidently isn't being shown much respect, judging by reports from Utah's Southern Scenic Wonderland.

When the Utah Legislature passed the new Antiquities Act of 1973, its purpose was to close a long-standing chink in the law protecting Indian artifacts, petroglyphs and archaeological sites. The 1906 law protected landmarks on federal lands, but such protection was not provided to sites on state-owned lands until the 1973 enactment.

Evidently this law isn't working out so well. A University of Utah student, engaged under a youth grant in copying and preserving Indian petroglyphs estimated recently that approximately 80 percent of all known Utah sites have been at least partially marred by vandals or construction projects. One tourist was seen attempting to quarry out one whole petroglyph to take home for the fireplace.

Those few plunderers who have been caught did not seem to mind in the least because the fine was far less than the value of the stolen item. The answer to that is, of course, much stiffer fines.

Better patrolling of the sites would help but that is almost impossible because of their great number and vast distances apart. Sheriff's offices charged with protecting the sites do not have the manpower to do the job. The public could help and may have to take over the brunt of the responsibility.

Utah's Scenic Wonderland displays the nation's most extensive and picturesque prehistoric Indian landmarks. Should not therefore every Utahn be alert to report to the sheriff's offices any acts of destruction being done on these precious items that can never be replaced?

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What a Line!

Although a phone call costs a dime
There is no limit to the time
A dame can chit-chat on the horn,
And hold the line most of the morn,
And also later in the day —
She has so very much to say.

And so important calls like mine
I have to place some other time,
And thus my business goes to pot —
'Cause that's the kind of line I've got!

— LES GO SCRAPBOOK

Pioneers Always For Education

AN ARTICLE on "The Mormons" published in a prestige encyclopedia strongly implies that the early members of the Church, especially the pioneers, did not place much store on education and that the whole movement was based on ignorance. This is an egregious error.

No people ever placed a higher estimate upon education than did the Mormon pioneers. They taught that "the glory of God is intelligence and that man is saved no faster than he gains knowledge." Their practices were always in harmony with this doctrine, although the persecution to which they were subjected slowed up their educational programs on every hand.

At the Schools of the Prophets, which were organized in Ohio, Missouri, Illinois and Utah, several branches of learning were taught by the best teachers available. A high school was established at Kirkland and all arrangements were made for founding a university at Nauvoo. Even the awkward circumstances in which the Saints found themselves in their temporary settlements in the wilderness, did not interfere with the establishment of schools for their children. Doubtless these were crude, but they were the best to be had.

It is extremely doubtful whether any people, so adversely situated, would have turned their thoughts toward education, unless it was to bemoan the lack of adequate institutions of learning. Three months had not elapsed since the arrival of the pioneers in the Great Salt Lake Valley before a school was opened at the "Old Fort." First teacher was Mary Jane Dilworth, after whom one of Salt Lake City's finest elementary schools was named. Pieces of logs were used for seats and a small camp table for a desk. In February, 1850, the University of Deseret, now the University of Utah, was chartered, the first university west of the Mississippi River.

It was deemed desirable to have schools in which the principles of the gospel could be taught, which was not permissible in the public schools, so there was organized accordingly, Brigham Young Academy, now the BYU, Brigham Young College at Logan and Latter-day Saints College in Salt Lake City, these to be followed by several other church academies throughout the state.

From its beginning the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has been actively engaged in educational and cultural activities, creating an atmosphere of intellectual and spiritual excellence unequalled by any other people. It is unfair to our pioneer educators to imply that the whole Mormon movement of the 19th Century was based on ignorance.

Adolph Johnson Next SUP President

SQUAW VALLEY ENCAMPMENT SETS NEW GOALS

by Les Goates

The 1974 annual encampment of the Sons of Utah Pioneers began and ended with a spectacular — likewise and even more so throughout the most memorable conclave.

It got underway on Friday, August 8 at Squaw Valley, California with the landing of a helicopter bearing a warm greeting from Gov. Ronald Reagan. His official pilot and messenger, Rhodes Grimshaw 83½, generally acclaimed the oldest active airpilot, delivered his message to Pres. John A. Shaw as guests were registering in the various Squaw Valley lodges.

A large gathering of convention guests gathered around as Ben Lofgren, "the voice of the host Sierra Chapter" read the governor's most complimentary and enthusiastic message. The convention concluded August 10 with the traditional Presidents Awards Banquet.

The Squaw Valley meet must go down on the records as one of the most exciting, inspirational and eventful of the past decade. One of the few ever held outside Utah, it attracted one of the largest SUP gatherings of delegates and guests ever assembled. Problems heretofore regarding as away in the offing, sprang bluntly before the delegates, provoked by economic and social demands of the times. The results were some far-reaching plans, particularly regarding new chapters, increased memberships and some legislative procedures.

Awards Presented

Top news however came out of the election session held Saturday morning. Nine new officers were elected as follows:

President Elect: Adolph Johnson (Temple Quarry). He will become national president next year as John A. Shaw finishes his regular term, having filled out the unexpired term of the late beloved Thomas A. Lambert, first



Pres. John A. Shaw, seated, talks over duties to Adolph Johnson, newly-elected president-elect.

SUP president ever to die in office.

Vice Presidents: D. Wesley Reese, Temple Fork, Logan; Harold Felt, Box Elder, Brigham City; O. Whitney Young, Ogden Pioneer Chapter; Richard Moyle, Salt Lake City Pioneer; Joy F. Dunyon, Salt Lake City East Mill Creek; Oliver Smith, Brigham Young, Provo; Louis B. Cardon, Cedar City.

Life membership Committee: Arthur Wiscomb, East Mill Creek.

Other officers are holdovers.

Award presentations brought out few if any surprises. Each winner seemed to appoint itself, being far outstanding. They were:

Outstanding SUP Member: Dr. Orson D. Wright. An immediate past president, Dr. Wright spearheaded the Pioneer Memorial Monument campaign, after the passing of President Lambert and helped pioneer and develop the popular seminar program. He is a member of two chapters — Salt Lake Pioneer and East Mill Creek.

Dunyons Honored

Outstanding SUP Couple: Joy F. and Eileen Dunyon, East Mill Creek. Joy has been a long-time worker on the Days of '47 Celebration, an enthusiastic officer in his chapter of which he is chairman of the Landmarks and Trails Committee and pioneer historical writer and mission president. Eileen is a former member of the Primary Association General Board, a noted teacher-trainer and eloquent reader.

Awards were presented by Col. Marvin E. Smith for the Awards Committee.

The Squaw Valley—Lake Tahoe region is unsurpassed for its breathtaking scenery, which made the several bus tours a long-to-be-remembered part of the encampment. The guides were superb explaining almost everything of interest, geological and historical, about such nation-wide attractions as Coloma and Placerville, of gold-discovery days, the El Dorado Museum, Stump Spring on the Mormon-Emigrant Trail, Tragedy Spring, Carson Pass, Emerald Bay and Lake Tahoe. Several of these places are rich in Mormon tradition.

Dedication of the Mormon Memorial Trail was perhaps the best-arranged and presented ceremony of its kind in western history. (Col. Smith, on his page in this edition, covers this event.)

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Joy F. and Eileen Dunyon Chosen SUP "Couple of Year at Encampment"



The Dunyons — King and Queen of SUP

Joy F. and Eileen R. Dunyon, than whom there has never been a couple any "whomer" in Utah and Salt Lake City civic, social, educational and religious leadership, were acclaimed SUP "Couple of the Year" at the Squaw Valley Encampment, Aug. 7-9.

Mr. Dunyon has served on the Days of '47 Committee since 1949 and chairman and treasurer of the Rodeo Committee. He was one of the directors of the Messages of the Ages Pageant in the Tabernacle. He is a member of the board of directors of the East Mill Creek Chapter, Sons of Utah Pioneers and has had five articles published in the *Pioneer*, mostly on the history of the East Mill Creek area.

Mission President

Joy served a mission in the North Central States and was forthwith called to serve another six months to complete introducing a new proselyting program he had devised. He was called later to serve as mission president in the Central British Mission, from 1963 to 1966.

He has served as a stake Sunday School superintendent, member of the YMMIA General Board and counselor in the East Mill Creek Stake presidency. He is now high priests group instructor in East Mill Creek Ward.

He was called to teach in the Seminary System of the Church in Cedar City, Coalville, Jordan High School and at South and East High in Salt Lake City. He is a native Salt Laker, a most personable and handsome man, always so gracious and friendly to everybody.

Mrs. Dunyon was born in Preston, Idaho and lived the first few years of her life in a pioneer community in Nevada. She attended Weber College in Ogden and graduated summa cum laude from the University of Utah and was elected to Phi Kappa Phi and Delta Kappa Gamma.

She was a most gracious and inspirational mission mother while Joy was mission president and a foremost teacher of the gospel as well as an instructor in teaching techniques.

In Primary Presidency

She was a member of the presidency of the Primary of the Church, second counselor to LaVern W. Parmley; a member of the Primary General Board for 11 years, Relief Society president, Stake YWMIA counselor and has held numerous other

Dr. Orson D. Wright, Who Else? Outstanding SUP

They might have chosen a better man than Orson Wright as "Outstanding SUP Of The Year," — except that there was none such extant. Dr. Wright was man of the hour, the day and the year and was everybody's selection for this splendid recognition.

To do a story on his multiple accomplishments would require more space than this small journal has today, but let us skim off the top a few of his services in a list, something as follows:

—Chairman of the Pioneer Monument Committee since June 1974;

—Past president of the National Society of SUP;

—Chairman Pioneer Village Committee;

—Director and organizer of the seminar for chapter presidents;

—Cub Scout Chairman over 15 LDS stakes;

—Graduate University of Utah and St. Louis, Washington U School of Dentistry;

—Captain in Air Force as a dentist;

—Served on a mission for the Church in Australia;

—Instructor High Priests Group in his ward;

—Bishop of two different wards;

—Member of two SUP Chapters —

Salt Lake City Pioneer and East Mill Creek and life member.

—Married to Patricia Pearson in the Salt Lake Temple in 1952 and have four sons, David, 21; Stephen, 18; and Michael, 15; lives in the Mt. Olympus area in southeast Salt Lake Valley.



*Dr. Orson D. Wright
... Outstanding SUP member*

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... Provo Leader



Richard Moyle
... Salt Lake North



Louis B. Carden
... Cedar City Chief

Dunyons Named 'Outstanding Couple' (continued from p. 5)

positions in wards and stakes. Eileen is author of Primary manuals and a number of stories and poems published in the *Children's Friend*. She also served as ward teacher-trainer.

Mrs. Dunyon has taught school in Cedar City, and several Granite District schools. Presently she is media coordinator of the Riverton, Copper-

view and Oakdale Schools in the Jordan District, and a member of the Utah Educational Media Association. She is a member of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers.

Eileen Dunyon most deservedly is the epitome of culture and charm and queen of SUP!

Joy and Eileen were married in the Salt Lake Temple, December 27, 1938. They have three children, Joleen, Jerry and Dennis. They also have a foster daughter Vanessa Nelson and at present have taken their nephew Bradford Bowen to raise. They have 10 grandchildren.

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DEDICATION OF MORMON EMIGRANT TRAIL

Impressive Ceremonies Featured at Encampment

by Col. Marvin E. Smith

A special feature of the 1974 National encampment was the dedication of the renamed Mormon-Emigrant Trail which was originally built as a wagon road over Carson Pass into Nevada from Northern California in 1848 by a group of Mormons who were returning to meet their families after serving in the famed Mormon Battalion.

About 350 people gathered at Stump Springs 29 miles southeast of Placerville, California for the occasion. Patriarch Eldred G. Smith, representing the General Authorities and the National Board of SUP, commended the various groups who cooperated to bring this event in line with history.

"It is fitting that we dedicate this road. It will serve to unite people as well as allowing them access to this beautiful area," stated Elder Smith on the August 9 afternoon in the El Dorado Forest.

Ben E. Lofgren functioned capably as master of ceremonies and represented the Sierra Chapter, which had worked for a period of three years to bring this project to fulfillment. He had many groups represented on the program. Following the posting of the colors by 30 uniformed Mormon Battalion men, and the playing of the national anthem by President Duane B. Ford and J. Irving Bingham, Reverend Nevill Arrouse, Pastor of the first Baptist Church in Placerville gave the invocation.

Dignitaries Participate

The assembled crowd was officially welcomed by the Hon. William V. D. Johnson, county supervisor. Then the unveiling of Stump Spring historic marker was conducted by James Ingram, director of El Dorado County Historical Society. Beverly Cola, chairman of the County Museum announced the publication of the Mormon-Emigrant Trail booklet. The history of the '49er Tree was told by C. David Ohman, Jr., who represented the American Forest Products Corporation.

Then came the presentation of the resurfaced road by Joseph H. Harn of the U.S. Forest Service to the Hon. William P. Walker, chairman of the board of County supervisors. President Dean O. Peck of the Sacramento



Chaplain Eldred G. Smith speaks at Mormon Emigration Trail Dedication

North LDS Stake then gave a fitting dedicatory prayer. Patriarch Smith was the concluding speaker.

Scouts Honored

Before the closing prayer by Col. Fred M. Reese, national commander of the U.S. Mormon Battalion, Duane B. Ford, Sierra Chapter president, paid tribute in memoriam to the three advance scouts who lost their lives at nearby Tragedy Spring, June, 1848. Three cannon shots honored Daniel Browett, Ezra H. Allen and Henson Cox. President Ford is a direct descendent of Zadock Knapp Judd, who was a member of the all-Mormon group who blazed this first wagon road out of California.

Major Mance H. Vaught, Sierra Chapter director, was chairman of the dedication and renaming committee.

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During the Mormon Battalion business meeting at the Squaw Valley Encampment several worthy projects were outlined for immediate action by Col. Fred M. Reese, national commander.

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Some of these included: lighting the battalion monument on the State Capitol Grounds; a plaque at the site of Social Hall where President Brigham Young predicted that the members of the "MB" would never be forgotten; supplying a plaque for the Explorer group in El Centro, who are building a monument on the trail in their area; mark the first wagon road into Salt Lake City from California; work on the histories of the original "MB" men. Sounds like a big load for a small group, doesn't it?

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Congratulations to Sheriff S. Grant Young and Cyrene Bagley. At a recent battalion meeting they were presented with miniature models of the Pioneer Memorial Monument for their generous participation in that SUP project.

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Significant wedding anniversaries: August 15 marks the 55th year for Col. Fred M. and Elva Reese. September is the 60th year for Lt. Col. Harold H. and Martha Jensen.

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Kanab, Utah was voted as the location of the 1975 SUP Encampment by those in attendance at the business meeting August 10.

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SQUAW VALLEY ENCAMPMENT

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For the ladies, during the business meetings enjoyed tram rides, a nature walk and a ladies cultural arts session in the Olympic Village Conference room. Maurine Smart directed the program and read one of her poems, "Contemplation on Antelope Island" which will be published in *The Pioneer*.

Chaplain Speaks

Speaker at the President's Award Banquet was Elder Eldred G. Smith, patriarch to the Church and SUP chaplain. Elder Smith paid tribute to the Mormon Pioneers, particularly for their fortitude under most trying times and for their spirit of sacrifice and devotion. He used the story of his great grandfather John Smith as an example of the devotion and selfless service of these sturdy frontiersmen. "There is no way we can repay these great men," said Elder Smith, "except to emulate, as best we can, the noble qualities they manifested in their very difficult lives. Truly, they made a lush land out of a desert country."

Pres. Shaw directed the program and spoke many kind words about the Sierra Chapter and its outstanding officers for the splendid manner in which they handled the convention. Music was provided by Susan Alexander, noted young Sacramento soprano and Sharon Ford, pianist. The prayers were spoken by George C. Lloyd, national executive secretary and Dr. Orson D. Wright, the "1974 Outstanding Member."

An unusual event of the session was the presentation of Life Membership certificates and pins to 11 of 14 members of the East Mill Creek Chapter who had taken out these memberships during one month of campaigning in the chapter. The idea was to show other chapters what can be done with this important project, now going on in the national.

A customary seminar held Saturday afternoon was in the nature of a round-table discussion, directed by Pres. Shaw, during which he called upon Earl J. Taylor, president-elect of the Sierra Chapter; Les Goates, editor of the *Pioneer*; and Nance Vaught, historian and trails and landmark authority to lead in parts of the discussion.

Perhaps the outstanding address of the convention was delivered by Norma B. Ricketts, renowned western historian and author, delivered at the Friday dinner session. Equally impressive and exciting was an address by Earl J. Taylor, president-elect of the Sierra Chapter, on the life of Sam Brannon.

Maurine Smart's meeting with the women guests while the men were in meeting was reported as another deeply cultural and spiritual experience. She read one of her poems which will be published in the *Pioneer*.

NAUGHTY! NAUGHTY!: (Labor News item) — "Under the new law, if any official gets caught stealing, or misusing union funds, he will have to give them back!" . . . Let that be a lesson to you fellows!



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Joy F. Dunyon
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Arthur Wiscomb
... Life Membership Job

Elected to important positions in the National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers at the recent Squaw Valley Encampment were Joy F. Dunyon, to become a vice-president and Arthur B. Wiscomb, a member of the Life Membership Committee. VP Dunyon has been one of the chief promoters of the Days of '47 celebration for many years and active in the program of locating and marking landmarks important to Salt Lake Valley history. Mr. Wiscomb has set all sorts of records in enrolling life members, particularly in the East Mill Creek Chapter where he recently brought 14 new life members into the society in one month.

Elizabeth Regh, 103, Honored On Birthday

The whole family turned out en masse when Mrs. Elizabeth Regh observed her 103rd birthday on July 21 in Salt Lake City. The family includes four children, 14 grandchildren, 27 great grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

A dressmaker throughout most of her life, Mrs. Regh was born in Bielefeld, Germany, July 21, 1871. She joined The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in 1897 and came to the United States with her husband, Joseph Regh, in 1907.

"Those were hard times for her and the family," said her daughter Mrs. Elizabeth Jensen, 337 Edith Avenue. "Still," she said, "mother was always trying to cheer others up."

Mrs. Regh is still active for one of her years, although her hearing and eyesight are failing. She spends much of her time reading and knitting woolen scarves, which she gives away to relatives and friends.

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Managing Director Wendell J. Ashton, left, Church Communications, and Elder Mark E. Petersen, of the Council of the Twelve, receive small replicas of the Pioneer Memorial Monument, from the Sons of Utah Pioneers, for their assistance and guidance in the promotion and consummation of the project.

Photos by Calvin Briggs



A plaster-stone replica of the Pioneer Memorial Monument, engages the interest of church officials and their companions as Dr. Orson D. Wright displays a replica. In the photo: Mrs. Grant W. (Donna) Heath, Director Ashton, Mrs. Wendell (Belva) Ashton, Grand W. Heath, supervisor of Church Communications offices and Dr. Wright, monument promoter for SUP.



Dr. Orson D. Wright, director of the monument project, left, presents Sculptor Edward Fraughton and his Lady Ann, with a Harold B. Lee book, "Stand Ye In Holy Places" in gratitude for artist's outstanding creation.



Church Communications Director Wendell J. Ashton and his lady Belva, admire statuette of the Pioneer Memorial Monument, being presented by Dr. Orson D. Wright, for the Sons of Utah Pioneer.

Monument Committee Leaders Honored

Elder Mark E. Petersen of the Council of the Twelve was presented with a small bronze replica of the Pioneer Memorial Monument, in appreciation for his assistance and guidance to the Sons of Utah Pioneers in their many monument and landmark projects over the years —

Wendell J. Ashton, managing director of Church Communications, received a plaster-stone replica for his assistance and coordinating efforts on the Pioneer Memorial Monument, and —

Edward J. Fraughton, sculptor of the statue, was given a Harold B. Lee book, in recognition of his superb artistry in designing and building the structure.

These were the awards presented by the Sons of Utah Pioneers, sponsors for the monument project. Dr. Orson D. Wright, director for the national society, made the presentations at a dinner June 25 at the Minoa Restaurant.

Dr. Wright expressed admiration and gratitude to these "very special

leaders" in planning and building the statue. "They have performed," said he, "a most dependable, precise and everlastingly valuable service to the state, the Church and the Sons of Utah Pioneers.

John A. Shaw, national president of SUP, gave a tribute of appreciation and gratitude to the honored guests.

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE, GIRLS!

From the Raleigh, N.C. *Times*: "All women who are interested in crafts, sewing, and other *hobbies* are urged to come to the armory Wednesday morning.

Record Enrollment

Eldred G. Smith Life Member; EMC Enrolls 11

*By George C. Lloyd
(National Executive Secretary)*

At the meeting of the Executive Board on July 9 our esteemed Chaplain Eldred G. Smith joined the ranks of Life Members of SUP. Elder Smith, who is the Presiding Patriarch to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, was also the official representative of the First Presidency at the dedication of the Mormon Emigration Trail on August 9, 1974, which was a feature of the annual Encampment in California.



Elder Smith

Eleven From EMC

During the month of July, the officers of the East Mill Creek Chapter adopted a project to enroll more Life Members. As a result of their concentrated efforts the following men have each paid \$100.00 and have received a

certificate and a ruby set lapel pin indicating their loyalty and faith in the future:

Stuart L. Bagley
Joy F. Dunyon
Eugene B. Duffin
Albert A. Erickson
Emmett L. Morris
John J. Nielsen
M. Kenneth White
Joseph A. Brown
Charles R. Done
Robert Addison Richey
Lesley Goates

A Record

The chapter has received notices of intent to join from four more members, to the affiliated shortly. Eleven or fourteen new Life Members from one chapter in a month, must be somewhat of an SUP record.

Congratulations to East Mill Creek Chapter, the group that always does big things in a big way. Incidentally the EMC will host the 1976 Encampment.



*Duane B. Ford
... Best Chapter Award*

Sierra Chapter Rates Leading Spot for 1973-74

The Sierra Chapter, SUP's northern California unit based in Sacramento, was acclaimed the outstanding chapter for 1973-74 by the Awards Committee, it was announced at the Squaw Valley Encampment.

The Sierrians did a lot and did it exceedingly well to win this coveted honor. Four projects gave it a big boost in the race for leadership:


1972 —The construction of the Coloma Cabin at the gold discovery site, a near replica of the original log structure where Mormon Battalion members lived at the time of the historic event;

1974 —The Mormon-Emigrant Trail Dedication, a project no other group could have accomplished considering the obstacles encountered;

1967 —The Tragedy Spring memorial marker, in collaboration with the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers;

1973 —Johnson Rancho (base for Donner Rescue), continuation of historical research in collaboration with Norma B. Ricketts and one or two cemetery restoration projects.

The Sierra Chapter has had some excellent leaders the past several years, including such dynamic and enthusiastic men as Duane Ford, Grant Ursenbach, Ben Lofgren, Allan Wooley and next year, Earl John Taylor.



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The Los Angeles Pioneer Memorial

MAGNIFICENT TRIBUTE BECOMING A DETRIMENT?



Los Angeles Memorial

*By Major Ken Clements
U.S. Mormon Battalion*

Very few people can tell you where the Los Angeles Pioneer Memorial, marking the site of the historic Fort Moore, is located. This could be because public access to the monument is extremely limited. Further, in its present state of up-keep, this writer does not recommend the site as the showplace of pioneer heritage for which it was intended.

Situated on a hill which overlooks the L. A. Civic Center, the old Los Angeles Mission, the original plaza and Chinatown, the monument was a magnificent tribute to the Mormon Battalion and other California pioneers when it was completed in 1957. Lighted spectacularly, the site could be seen for miles in the days before the energy crisis.

The \$300,000 structure (worth probably over \$1 million today) was originally envisioned as an American Shrine which would serve as the "shining crown of the Los Angeles Civic Center." It was erected by the Sons and Daughters of Utah Pioneers, Los Angeles County, Los Angeles City, the board of education, the Department of Water and Power and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The structure is about 50 feet high and is over 100 yards in total length. It is located at the bottom of a 50-foot gash which was carved into Fort Moore Hill to accommodate civic center traffic. The monument lies on the west side of Hiss St. between the Hollywood Freeway and Sunset Blvd., construction for which also took deep cuts out of the original Fort Moore site. Perched on what is left of the hill is the L.A. County Board of Education complex.

Fort Moore was built by the Mormon Battalion in 1847. Here, they raised the American flag and participated in the first Fourth of July celebration held in California.

Access is Difficult

Because of the fact that one can visit the monument only with some difficulty and because the sophisticated lighting system and the dramatic waterfall have been shut down to conserve energy, the place has evidently assumed a low priority in maintenance and security.

The only on-street parking which is permitted near the monument is on the opposite side of busy Hill Street. That is restricted to 9 to 4 p.m. on weekdays and is contingent upon whe-



Thing of Beauty or Detriment?

ther county employees may have left a space for you. Parking is allowed here on weekends, but visitors should be very careful in crossing Hill Street to reach the monument.

A large parking lot for L.A. County employees lies at the bottom of Fort Moore Hill and, although signs do not indicate it, would appear to be available for public parking on weekends. Parking above the monument of Fort Moore Hill is restricted to stalls marked with the names of board of education personnel.

Suffice to say, most visitors to the Pioneer Memorial drive past the site, admire the stone tableaux from a distance and move on. This is just as well.

The isolation and seclusion of the shrine appear to have created a haven for drunks and street gangs.

Spray-painted graffiti defaces walls and stairwells at the sides and top of the monument. Trash litters the area and floats in the pools. The once sparkling waterfall flows sluggishly into a slimy, green mass. The entire facility appears to be in need of a cleaning, scrubbing and tune-up of mechanical equipment.

(see PIONEER MEMORIAL next page)

Pioneer Memorial At Los Angeles In Need Of Care

(from preceding page)

Who's Responsible?

After a lengthy tour of the civic center by telephone trying to establish who has the responsibility for the maintenance of the monument, this writer threw in the towel.

The stagnant water, we were told, would clear up if and when the waterfall was turned on. The board of supervisors had reportedly ordered power to be restored to the monument's pumps and lighting systems, but when the edict would be effective appeared to be in doubt.

"We're getting graffiti on top of graffiti," acknowledged one official. He claimed that the only real solution to the problem is to get the community interested in correcting the situation and actively involved in discouraging the practice.

While hearing all of the explanations, I wondered in maintaining the facility in tip-top shape wouldn't be a waste. Who would appreciate it? If people in any numbers could get to the monument, perhaps more acceptable standards of maintenance and security would be justified.

As it now stands, though, this former focal point of pride in heritage may have assumed a negative value. With all of the glowing plans for the nation's Bicentennial being announced in every quarter, it would seem that those gallant souls the Los Angeles Pioneer Memorial was designed to honor are deserving of something better.

Smoking and Drinking

The American Journal of Psychiatry reports that cigaret smoking is part of the syndrome of alcohol addiction. It showed as an example that of 130 men hospitalized for withdrawal from alcohol, 126 were smokers. Of the 126 who both smoked and drank, 123 used more than a pack a day.

Indian Who Found Rainbow Bridge Belatedly Honored

(From The Deseret News)

BLANDING, Utah — Long belated recognition was given June 18 to Jim Mike, 100-year old Indian who lives south of this town, who was honored as one of the two surviving members of a group that located Rainbow Bridge in the summer of 1909.

Known as Mike's boy at the turn of the century, he is credited with discovering the massive red sandstone arch about 1900 while seeking pasture for a herd of horses he was tending.

Special Citation

Jim Mike was presented with a special citation, a letter from Secretary of the Interior Rogers C. Morton, and a check for \$50 as a 65-year overdue payment for the guide service he gave the explorers in 1909.

The Indian most often identified as a guide of the expedition is Nashja-Begay, a Navajo who died in the tragic Spanish influenza epidemic in 1918. Mike's role in the discovery was established recently by researchers including Dr. Jay Haymond of the Utah Historical Society and Zeke Scher,

a writer for the Denver Post. These scientists supplied data to the National Park Service and urged that the proper recognition be given.

Probably In 1900

Mike, who lives with a daughter in White Mesa, south of Blanding, told Dr. Haymond through an interpreter that he first saw the bridge while herding horses with three others, including his father, Big Mike, Nashja-Begay and another Indian companion.

After he made the discovery alone, Jim Mike said, he hurried back to where he had left the other three men. He told them of the arch, but only Nashja-Begay went with Jim back to see it, when he too, viewed it for the first time. Based on Mike's comments on the experience, Dr. Haymond estimated it happened in 1900.

While Mike's age is not certain, friends and family members staged a celebration last summer, honoring him for what they figured was his 100th birthday.

Included in the recognition party were several national and state parks executives.

Altina Celebrates Her 102nd Birthday

Mrs. Altina Erickson, Logan, Utah, celebrated her 102nd birthday July 19 in the Sunshine Nursing home where she has lived since she was 95. She has been a widow since 1951. She took care of her husband, who was an invalid, for 13 years.

A native of Denmark whose family immigrated to Utah when she was five, she became a talented baker, specializing in the famous Danish pastries. She recalls that she was paid \$5 a week

for baking 12 loaves of bread a day for the Cache Junction R.R. Cafe.

The mother of six children, she now has 33 grandchildren, 134 great grandchildren and 103 great-great grandchildren. With such a large family, Mrs. Erickson has kept busy with her "hobbies" such as cooking, sewing and light housework.

She is an avid rodeo fan and attended almost every rodeo in Logan and nearby towns until she moved into the nursing home.

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PASSING OF AN INTIMATE OLD FRIEND

WORLD FAMOUS SALT AIR BROUGHT MILLIONS TO UTAH

By George S. Nelson

I was walking west in the bridge designer's office where I worked on Capitol Hill in Salt Lake City when I noticed a thin pillar of smoke reaching to the sky some 15 miles to the west. For a moment I was slightly interested, then like a thunderbolt came the realization that the world-famous Saltair Resort was on fire. Saltair had been my paradise in the summer seasons of my youth.

I watched the flames creep from the Ship Cafe to the vast dance floor dome and the main pavilion and then to the long row of houses. Frenzied memories rushed to my mind like children fleeing for refuge from their burning home. To me those memories have found a devoted guardian. I don't think anyone loved old Saltair more or knew her better than I did.

Saltair was an exotic structure of Moorish style architecture that seemed to float over the water of Great Salt Lake several thousand feet from the shore line. Actually it was supported by 500 wood piles that had been "meted" through the hard soda lake bed by steam jets to a depth of 14 feet.

Work began on this ambitious structure only 45 years after the Mormon pioneers entered the barren valley. Salt Lake City was then but a small frontier community. Saltair was first opened to the public on July 4, 1893. In the heat of the day it was bathed by cool breezes from off the lake, and by night it was flooded with the light from 1250 incandescent lamps and 40 arc lights. Its grand lighted frontal arch could be plainly seen from the hills east of Salt Lake City, about 20 miles away.

Fare 25 cents

The fare from the city to Saltair was 25¢. This included the 30-mile round trip train ride, admission to the pavilion, free dancing on week days, band concerts on Sundays, free movies and free use of tables for picnicing in the bowery. Some 40 concessions were provided. Bathing in the buoyant salt water, where you float like a cork, was delightful. Saltair was always clean and its patrons dressed in their Sunday best.



SALT AIR, grand old Lady of the Lake, now faded into the preciousness of memory

In 1914 my father, Joseph Nelson bought out the interests of other co-owners. By then Saltair had become world famous. Father was always on the alert for attractions that would attract patrons. Gertrude Hoffman, at that time had gained renown on the vaudeville stage by appearing in an outfit that exposed her bare midriff. Father contracted with her agent for an appearance at Saltair. He did a lot of advertising and the event attracted a large crowd. Unfortunately for father, Miss Hoffman became inebriated that night and failed to appear. Father had a hard time mollifying the crowd.

When the Wright brothers gained national fame, father engaged their services to fly their heavier-than-air machine at Saltair. This attracted large

crowds. There were anxious moments when it seemed uncertain whether the machine would clear the five-foot fence at the other end of the field and there were cheers when the craft flew about 80 feet above the ground for a few minutes.

When Johnny Weismuller gained national fame, father offered him \$1,000 if he could beat me in a swimming race from Antelope Island to Saltair. I had beaten the previous amateur record by nearly 21 minutes for the six-mile swim, but I didn't want to take on Johnny Weismuller.

I worked on many jobs at Saltair. When I was about 14 I ran the turnstiles at the bathing gate. On days

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SALT AIR: "Queen of the Lake."

(from preceding page)

when I ran through about 4,000 bathers I found it rather trying to answer all the questions, make change, insert quarters into the slot to release the turnstile and turn the gate to get the patrons through unbruised. But I took the sign down when a young woman looked at it thoughtfully and then asked, "Will you please tell me what you mean by 'an unnecessary question'?"

Daytime at Saltair was "family time." Parents and children enjoyed swims in the buoyant water, followed by picnic lunches served on the tables of "the bowery." Then came the amusements. The merry-go-round played the Merry Widow waltz all day long to the delight of the children and to the dismay of the employees who worked nearby. Then there was the roller coaster with its six-foot dips and quick turns, which served very well until the giant racer was built. There was also the penny arcade, ping-pong, funny mirrors, etc.

When evening came the families just seemed to melt away, the myriads of lights came on and young couples poured in for dancing, for rollicking among the concessions and for strolling down the pier during the dance intermissions. Finally there would be a rush

for the last train as the warning whistles blew. When the train passed beyond the shore line the lights on the pavilion were extinguished and the pale, cool moonlight would flow all around. The sound of revelry was replaced by the soft sound of rippling water lapping at the piling.

On moonless nights a few bright stars would melt their way through the black skydome, followed by a crescendo of smaller ones until the whole sky became luminous with stars that seemed to grow steadily brighter. A soft light descended like an iridescent mist and transformed the Moorish domes of the pavilion into magic creations of Arabian Nights stories. Perhaps the magic was imagined but the enchantment was real.

Financial Troubles

In 1920 my father considered electrifying the railroad. He engaged an engineering firm to make an estimate. The project seemed feasible and father went ahead with it. The cost of the project soon doubled and patronage fell off because too many young men went off to fight in World War I. It became necessary for father to borrow more than he had anticipated. His notes

fell due and extension of time was refused. So, on March 29, 1922, his creditors took possession and father lost all the benefits of the time and money he had invested in Saltair.

For 30 years the resort, "The Grand Old Lady of the Lake" had provided gaiety and recreation for people from all over the world. Then the tide turned. Saltair decreased in popularity to the extent that on January of 1924, the new owners invited father to buy it back, "real cheap."

Saltair burned April 22, 1925. A smaller structure was built for the 1926 season. On Aug. 29, 1927 the giant racer was toppled by a sudden squall. It was never rebuilt. Saltair had become a losing enterprise and did not open for the 1929 season. On Nov. 12, 1970 the dilapidated old structure burned to rubble.

One of the nice things about growing old is that memories of events and places and pleasures that I loved in my youth can be relived so vividly. I practically lived at Saltair for eight seasons. I knew and loved every detail and every mood of the place. I loved the excitement of the opening days and the fun of each new season. I felt a pang of sadness on each closing day. But now, on any quiet evening I can relax in the medley of sights and sounds peculiar to old Saltair and be entertained by the crowds and pleasure seekers.

I can return to the Ship Cafe to watch a lurid sunset while my girl friend and I munch sandwiches. I can walk down the salt-caked steps under Aisle A to take a cool swim in the lake on a hot summer day. I can watch the sparkling ripples in the moon path that follows the side of my moving boat. I can glide over the dance floor with my sweetheart to the tune of dreamy music. I can float weightlessly on the down slopes of the giant racer. And I can buy a bag of hot buttered popcorn to eat on the train ride home while watching the lights of the beautiful "Queen of the Lake" sway away in the distance.

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There Never Was One Like It **Renowned Lehi Silver Bandwagon May be Retired After 94 Years**

(Lehi Free Press News Service)

"We were placed in No. 28 spot near the beginning of the mammoth Pioneer Days Parade," exulted Clell Jackson, director of the Lehi Silver Band, "a prominence we have had for upward of 74 years."

Participation in the Parade Mr. Jackson was talking about was part of a rich and colorful tradition for the nearly-100 year old Lehi Band. The clippity, clop, clop of four well-matched horses pulling an ornate silver wagon may soon be just a hallowed memory, because city officials are contemplating retiring the unique and historic Lehi Silver Band Wagon.

Extensive repairs had to be made before it could be used this summer in the Lehi Roundup and Days of '47 Parade. Mayor Evan Colledge, an expert carpenter, took on the task of replacing loose, lost or worn parts and also replacing the large letter. The mayor was amazed at the work done by Gay Whipple and his assistants, Jim Gaddie and George Goates, who were commissioned to build the vehicle 94 years ago.

Horses to Match

The four horses used to pull the wagon the past several years are owned, carefully matched and loaned to the band by Ray Stewart. He is the driver and reins the horses to the tune played by the long-faithful band members.

Some of the members who have left their work over the years and "come a-runnin'" each time the band has had an assignment include:

Leo Hadfield, trumpet; Howard Brown, trombone; John Broadbent, saxophonist; Alvin Schow, cornetist; Viv Carter and Clell Jackson, drums; Harold Fox, alto horn; Don Nielson, trombone; Dick Eddington, tenor saxophone; Richard Devey, who plays most any instrument, and Brent Lind, another versatile all-around player.

Tracy Price, who left recently on an LDS mission, Dr. Boyd Larsen and Stake President Dean Worlton are former members and was Heber Hadfield. Lehi old-timers will recall the many years of service given the band by Ernest N. Webb, the local jeweler and watchmaker.

Some History

From the "History of Lehi" we pick up a few highlights in the traditional Lehi Silver Band story:

The band was organized in 1886 when members of the YMMIA were gathered together by George H. Goates and Joseph Kirkham. The instruments were purchased from the Grant Music Store of American Fork. Weekly practices were held under the direction of Alfred M. Fox, later by Isaac Fox, Joseph Kirkham and John Y. Smith. . .

A picture in "The Lehi History" shows the band and most of its players, after the old vehicle had just had a new coat of paint. Among them are recognized: William L. Goates, E. N. Webb, Israel L. Lott, William E. Whipple, Bard A. Allred, Dennis Giles, (later the leader); Lawrence Briggs,

The Lehi Silver Band story is one of the most unique, historic and altogether impressive sagas in Utah early community history. Its nearly-100-year wagon was something apart. It should be preserved by the city as a historic relic unmatched by any community anywhere.

Let us hope the city of Lehi will make appropriation for its preservation and continued use and shelter it, perhaps at the Hutchinson Museum, which holds many priceless items of Utah County's pre-historic and historic past. The Chamber of Commerce, Lehi Legion Post, Sons of Utah Pioneers and all those civic-minded and actionful groups, could do their city, the state and the whole country an invaluable service by preserving this most exceptional and traditional relic of a community rich in historical tradition and exceptional accomplishments. — L. G.

Alma Earl, Richard Hutchings, Ray Goates (later a famous baseball player); Jay Smuin (also a band leader); Morgan S. Lott (twin brother of Israel); Azer Winn, Herbert Taylor, Thomas F. Kirkham, J. Hamilton Gardner, Roy Davis, and Charles Goates, official coachman who matched the teams and drove the band for many years.



Mayor Evan L. Colledge, Jr. works to restore the historic Lehi Silver Bandwagon, which has been featured in parades large and small throughout Utah for almost four-score years. It has been given prominent place, with its musicians of course, in the Days of '47 Parade, or its predecessor, for 74 years and may now be retired.

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George Gygi: Outstanding Senior Citizen **People of Many Lands Share His** **Artistry As Printer and Author**

By LES GOATES

It is altogether fitting and proper at this time for the Sons of Utah Pioneers and everybody else concerned, to open the attar of roses and sprinkle its essence over that most distinguished and remarkable brother and member, Mr. George F. Gygi. He is entitled to something right out of the neck of the bottle for devotions and services to his fellowmen, far beyond common expectation and achievement.

How appropriate it was therefore that the Salt Lake Junior Chamber of Commerce has acclaimed Mr. Gygi the Outstanding Male Senior Citizen of this service-minded community and presented him with a plaque dated June 1974. The award was based largely on the exceedingly-wide free distribution of artistically-printed materials he has turned out at his Fine Arts Press and for his practice of extensive visiting among his friends and neighbors, particularly those in distress.

George has a practice of visiting some 300 to 400 families and individuals yearly, about 100 to 125 during the Christmas and pre-Christmas season, oftentimes presenting some extraordinary print of a famous leader of church or state, an ancient prophet from a little-known statue or painting, or a charmingly bordered motto or verse.

One-Man Operation

His Fine Arts Press has been, over many years, probably the only one-man plant continually producing four-color process printing and has an excellent and enviable reputation nationally.

Mr. Gygi has many other unique hobbies besides giving away artistic printing materials:

He has a collection of about 2000 pieces of popular sheet music of the period from 1900 to 1960 and a collection of rare antique music dated as far back as 1830-1865. A collection of over 40,000 noteworthy quotations, he has segregated into 43 subjects.

In the field of photography, there are few collections in the world equal

to the Gygi file. He has about 1150 large-size transparencies, taken by himself, in sizes 2¼ x 2¼ and 4 x 5's. He has at least 12,000 photos, including 3000 early church shots from Nauvoo and Kirtland, over the plains and early Salt Lake and Utah. Included are hundreds of early church leaders, men and women as well as early civic leaders. Six hundred of these hang on the walls of his plant.

Rare Family Record

George Gygi has what is probably the most voluminous Family Book of Remembrance in existence. In two fat volumes of over 3500 pages, there are recorded about 4200 names, about 550 documents, all weighing close to 70 pounds. These have been viewed by more than 1,000 persons.

Other features of the Gygi Collections are: the finest portraits of the Savior in full size and color; a mass of folders, pamphlets, etc. of political and educational affairs, education, unions, budgets, finances, foreign affairs, wars and domestic affairs. In all George Gygi has what is probably the most voluminous and all-inclusive personal library in existence anywhere.

George Gygi was born in Salt Lake City, July 8, 1897. His father was an emigrant from Switzerland and his mother from Germany. Both, with their families, were virtually driven from their native lands because of their affiliation with the Mormons. George attended elementary school in Salt Lake City but never had the opportunity of attending high school or college. He was the second of 12 children, 10 still living.

Started in 1912

He started his printing career in 1912 with The Deseret News where he worked his first year for \$4.00 a week, 47 hours a week, or 8½ cents an hour. He worked at other Salt Lake printing plants and pursued his trade for 14 years in Los Angeles. He had a small plant in Malad, Ida. and a weekly newspaper. He worked also in one of the larger plants in San Francisco. He opened his Salt Lake Fine Arts Plant in 1941 where he is still



George Gygi
Outstanding Senior Citizen

operating at 3758 South 23rd East in East Mill Creek.

In this community he has been a most devoted and versatile public servant. He was the originator and first publisher of the Mothers Day Books used in the Sunday Schools as gifts, starting in 1923, also the popular Christmas folders. He originated the large chapel-sized M.I.A. Theme Cards in 1941. He produced these for 24 years. His theme cards reached over three million readers.

He has printed and worked in editing scores of church books and was acquainted with practically all the presidents and general authorities during this service. He has held some 33 editorial and church positions. At age 77 is still going strong. He is the historian and a member of the Board of Directors of the East Mill Creek Chapter, Sons of Utah Pioneers.

George married Louis M. Francom of Salt Lake City who died in 1925. He married Zella L. Hance in Los Angeles in 1927. They are the parents of six children, five living and grandparents of 21.

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'Captain Dan Jones'

MIGHTY LITTLE MISSIONARY TO THE WELCH

By Donald D. Dennis

Great-great grandson of Captain Dan Jones . . . President of George Albert Smith Chapter.

"God bless this little man." The speaker of these words — the Prophet Joseph Smith. The time — April, 1843. The place — Nauvoo, the Beautiful. The occasion — the arrival of a company of English Saints from St. Louis on board a river steamer called the "Maid of Iowa." The "little man" — Dan Jones, owner and captain of the "Maid of Iowa."

From this first meeting between Captain Dan and the Prophet Joseph evolved an intimate friendship — one that was to be of but brief mortal duration, however. Just one year later they lay side by side on a mattress spread out on the floor of the only cell at Carthage Jail. They were quietly conversing after the others had apparently fallen asleep. "Are you afraid to die?" asked the Prophet Joseph. To this query Dan Jones replied: "Has the time come, think you? Engaged in such a cause, I do not think death would have many terrors." Whereupon Joseph uttered what was to be his final prophecy: "You will see Wales and fill the mission appointed you, before you die."

This prophecy was fulfilled, as Dan Jones' life was spared from the angry mob that took the lives of Joseph and Hyrum. A few months later, just after his 33rd birthday, Dan Jones and his wife, Jane, were on their way to Wales, their native land. Arriving in the early part of 1845, Dan Jones was assigned to the Wrexham Conference in North Wales, a conference which at that time consisted of but two members: Dan Jones and his wife, Jane.

Started in 1840

As early as 1840 there had been missionary activity in Wales, the first branch being organized in the fall of that year at Overton in Flintshire, North Wales. Later, Elder William Henshaw and others began missionary operations in South Wales, organizing several branches in and around the bustling mining town of Merthyr Tydfil. Thus, when Dan Jones was



Capt. Dan Jones

. . . no greater missionary

assigned to his field of labor, there were approximately 300 Welsh members of the Church. A year later, in December of 1845, when he was called to preside over the Church in Wales, there were nearly 500 members.

In his new position of leadership, Dan Jones began to sow the seeds of what was to be an almost incredible harvest of souls over the next three years. The impact of his irrepressible energy, in spite of constant ill health, was to be felt throughout the hills of Wales. Just seven weeks after being appointed as president, Dan Jones gave this report: "I'll have more places to preach in, round here, than I can possibly attend to . . . the prospect is good everywhere for a plentiful crop of good souls ere long."

In January, 1849, one month prior to his release, Dan Jones reported a total of 3,603 members of the Church in Wales, an astounding figure when one considers that it represents an increase of 3,000 members in three years, making an average of 1,000 baptisms per year.

Salt Lake Valley Pioneer

On his trip to join with the main body of the Saints, Captain Dan took with him 249 Welsh Saints, the first foreign speaking company to enter the Salt Lake Valley. Shortly thereafter one of these Welshmen, John Parry, was called by President Brigham Young to lead a Pioneer choral group. With some of his Welsh countrymen as a nucleus, John Parry organized a choir which furnished music in the old Bowery, located on what is now

Temple Square. This choir first sang at a General Conference of the Church in April, 1850, and evolved into what is now the Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

In answer to a call from Brigham Young, Dan Jones settled with his family in Manti, where he was elected the first mayor of that city in 1851. His term of office was curtailed, however, when he received yet another call from President Young to return once again to the land of his birth.

Leaving behind his family in Manti, Captain Dan arrived at Liverpool in December of 1852, and proceeded immediately to his field of labor in Wales, this time accompanied by Thomas Jeremy and Daniel Daniels. After one year of laboring under the leadership of W. S. Phillips, Dan Jones was called to take his place and to once again preside over the Church in Wales. The results obtained during this presidency were similar to those of his first.

Boat on the Lake

Upon rejoining the body of the Saints in 1856, Dan Jones commenced navigating the Great Salt Lake in the "Timely Gull," a small boat owned by Brigham Young. He lived with his family at Black Rock where he later built a boat to navigate the Jordan River into Utah Lake and boat to Salt Lake City the coal found in Wales, Sanpete County. He resided at Provo until the time of his death on January 3, 1862. He was 50 years old when he died, a victim of the tuberculosis that had been a "thorn in his flesh" for so many years.

In the Dan Jones Letters, published in the Millenian Star, may the reader permit his thoughts to drift back to more than 100 years ago, when a small Welsh sea captain was turning loose in full force his tireless energies throughout the hills of Wales. May he see in his mind's eye the thousands of Welshmen whose hearts were filled with gospel truths by one of their own compatriots, who, though he felt more at home on the deck of a ship than on a platform, was to become one of the greatest, if not the greatest missionary the Church has ever known.

Chapter Eternal

Joseph Maxwell Jacobsen

Joseph Maxwell Jacobsen, 73, long-time member of the Sons of Utah Pioneers and past president of the Utah Grocers Association, died June 8 in a Salt Lake City hospital after a long illness. He was a founding member of the Utah Historical Society and was treasurer of the Sugar House Chapter of SUP.

Mr. Maxwell was an active supporter of the Boy Scouts of America and served as scoutmaster of Parleys Stake, troop committee chairman and district chairman of the Mountain View District. He was himself an Eagle Scout as well as recipient of the Silver Beaver Award, Order of the Arrow and the Wood Badge.

Active in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, he was a high priest in Parleys Stake. He was also swimming instructor for the American Red Cross.

Joseph Maxwell Jacobsen was born April 16, 1901 in Salt Lake City, a son of Joseph A. and Alice Maxwell Jacobsen. He married Nell Fluit in the Salt Lake Temple.

Survivors include his wife; sons and daughters: Mrs. John B. (Maxine) Meredith, Boise, Idaho; Paul R., Mrs. W. Howard (Dolores) Crandall, J. Douglas, Mrs. Robert O. (Barbara) Richins, all of Salt Lake City; Robin L., New York City; 20 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; brothers and sisters: Mrs. Joe (Grace) Schambers, Mrs. Carl (Elsie) Galyon, both of Los Angeles; Mrs. Stanley (Gertrude) West, Mrs. Geln (Edith) Hintze, Alvin M., Thomas M., all of Salt Lake City; and Garnet M., of Riverside, Calif.

Funeral services were held June 12 in the Parleys Sixth Ward Chapel and burial was in the Salt Lake City Cemetery.

Victor LeRoy Jackson

Victor LeRoy Jackson, 77, Provo, Utah, died July 9, 1974 in a Provo hospital of cancer. He was an active member of the Sons of Utah Pioneers in the Provo Area.

In other public service he was a YMMIA and Sunday School administrator and teacher and a member of the Knife & Fork Club.

Professionally, Mr. Jackson was a bridge contractor. In W.W. I he was a member of the Medical Corps.

A high priest in the Oak Hills Fourth Ward, he served in a number of offices in the priesthood.

Victor LeRoy Jackson was born July 26, 1896, in Arabella, Sevier County, Utah to

John William and Margaret Nordfors Jackson. He married Elda Bingham, June 24, 1925 in the Salt Lake Temple.

Survivors: wife; daughters, Mrs. Sherman B. (Karma Rae) Sheffield, Salt Lake City; six grandchildren; brother, Orvell Jackson, Provo; sisters, Mrs. Emily Jewkes, Mrs. Thelma Ostler, both Salt Lake City; Mrs. Luella Miles, Bountiful.

The funeral was held July 12 in the Oak Hills Fourth Ward Chapel and burial was in the East Lawn Memorial Hills, with full military rites.

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Willard Designated First National 'Historic District'

The original section of Willard town in Box Elder County, Utah, once known as Willard Creek, has been designated as Utah's first "National Historic District" by the National Register of Historic Sites.

Willard has become famous for its classic stone houses, constructed in the 1850's and 60's, by Schadrach Jones, a Welch pioneer. The town's original character has been maintained and in addition there are several barns and granaries of those times, still standing. (The Pioneer Magazine did an illustrated feature on Willard and its classic stone houses, some time ago.)

Stephanie Churchill, executive director of the Utah Heritage Foundation, said the historic district designation makes the town eligible for federal restoration funds on a matching basis. Already leading citizens have formed a restoration organization.

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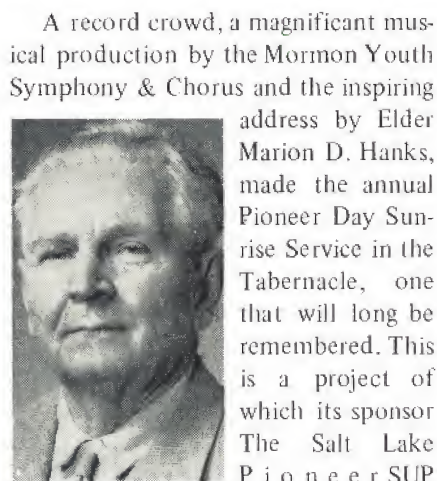
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Historical Highlights

By Harold H. Jenson
SUP Historian



Hal Jenson Chapter, may be exceedingly well pleased.

A new Salt Lake City flag presented to the Mormon Battalion by Newell Knight, city historian, placed with the Utah State Flag and our grand Old Glory, added a distinct patriotic atmosphere to the occasion.

Those who visited Tragedy Spring while attending recent Squaw Valley Encampment, saw a marked grave where three Mormon Battalion members were killed by Indians. It was about that time that other battalion members discovered gold at Sutter's Mill.

This was the third time our SUP Battalion has visited these historic places. The battalion also took part in a celebration parade with Ezra Taft Benson guest of honor and Pres. J. Rulon Morgan as marshall of the day. Earl Hansen, then commanding officer was in charge. Interestingly, the Sierra Chapter was started out-of-doors under a grove of special kind of trees and has grown now to one of the strongest in the SUP chain.

Newell Knight, former historian for the City & County Building, who has

long fostered a hobby of presenting the American Flag to war veterans, recently in San Bernardino, honored Stanley Johnson, 89, oldest American bugler, who died recently. Newell presented the flag to Mrs. Florence Woodbury, president of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers in that city, in memory of Mr. Johnson. The flag is to be flown on all appropriate occasions at the SUP Monument in San Bernardino.

Just for the record: SUP President Nephi L. Morris started the traditional Pioneer Days Sunrise Service, now so successfully promoted by the Pioneer Chapter in the Tabernacle on Temple Square. The first one, with this historian assisting Pres. Morris in the arrangements, was held where the "This Is The Place" Monument now stands.

After this Fred Wolters, an enthusiastic German member kept the event going in Lindsay Gardens, where it was held many years until SUP gave it up.

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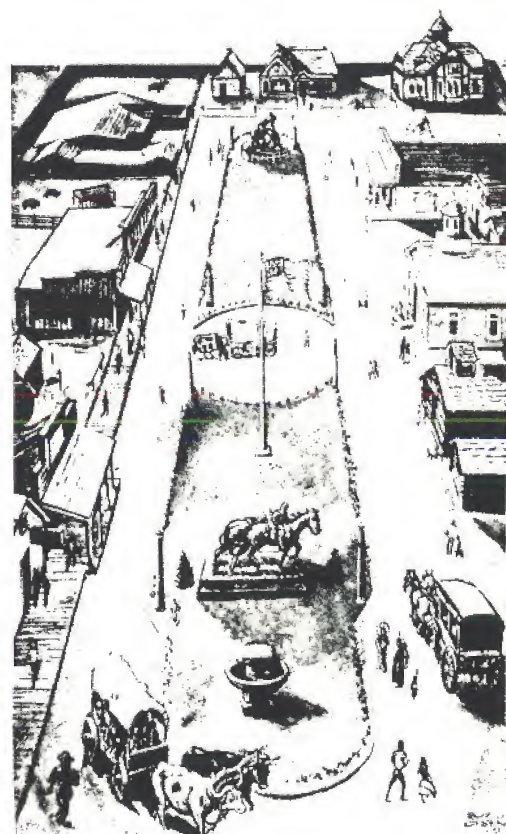
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